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Mr. Gary R. Gamble
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Dear Mr. Gamble:

Re: Permit Review Status, Escalante Tailings Pond Reclamation Plan, M/021/004/, Iron County, Utah

On January 6, 1992, 1992, the Division received Hecla's updated plan for the tailings pond reclamation. Due to a backlog of other permit reviews, the Division will not be able to complete a review of this plan within the usual 30-day timeframe. Please accept our apology for the delay and any inconvenience this may cause you.

We hope to complete our review of your application within the next 30-45 days. We appreciate your patience and understanding in this regard. Please contact me if you have questions or concerns with this proposed review schedule.

Sincerely,

Holland Shepherd
Senior Reclamation Specialist

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cc: Wayne Hedberg, DOGM
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